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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
 DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
 STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE
 ISSUED TO:

Prashant P. Parikh, M.D.
License No. MA 68675

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY
 IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of a Consent Order issued on May 3, 2005 by the North Carolina Medical Board ("North Carolina Board") that had been reported to the Board by Respondent in accordance with N.J.S.A 45:9-19.16(a). The Consent Order is based on an admission and findings that Respondent submitted a letter of recommendation from a fellow physician to the North Carolina Board in connection with his application for licensure that had been written and signed by Respondent without the physician's permission. Respondent admitted grounds existed for the North Carolina Board to deny his application for a license to practice medicine and surgery pursuant to N.C.

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Gen. Stat. 90-14(a) (6) but requested a hearing, which was held on April 20, 2005. The North Carolina Board found that an authentic letter of recommendation supportive of the application was also submitted and that Respondent's record of service to his profession, his patients, and the public was otherwise unblemished. By the terms of the Consent Order, the North Carolina Board issued Respondent a license to practice medicine and surgery, suspended the license for one year and immediately stayed the suspension. Respondent is also required to be evaluated by the North Carolina Physicians' Health Program and comply with any treatment recommendations; secure prior written approval of his future practice setting by the North Carolina Board President; and meet with the Board or members of the Board for an informal interview every six months and at such other times as requested by the Board.

Respondent, through counsel, has represented to the Board that at the present time he is not engaged in the practice of medicine in the State of New Jersey. The Board has received documentation that Respondent is practicing medicine in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that his Pennsylvania medical license is in good standing. The North Carolina action provides grounds for disciplinary action in this State pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (b) for Respondent having engaged in the use or employment of dishonesty by having submitted a letter of recommendation from a fellow physician to the North Carolina Board in connection with his application for licensure that had been prepared and signed by Respondent in the name of the fellow physician without the physician's approval or authorization. The Board and Respondent seek to resolve this matter without resort to further proceedings, and the

Board finding the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public interest and for good cause shown,

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ON THIS 9th DAY OF June, 2005 ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Effective upon the entry date of this Order, Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey is suspended for a period of one year, said suspension is entirely stayed.

2. Should Respondent seek to commence the practice of medicine in the State of New Jersey, he shall be required to appear before the Board or a committee thereof to demonstrate fitness to practice and to show he has satisfied all the terms and conditions set forth in the Consent Order entered by the North Carolina Board as referenced above. This requirement shall not apply to the provisions of Paragraph 4 of the North Carolina Order unless Respondent had previously sought to begin a practice in the State of North Carolina. The Board reserves the right to initiate disciplinary action with regard to Respondent's license as may be appropriate and to set conditions as appropriate given the information available regarding fitness to practice resulting from the evaluation by the North Carolina Physicians' Health Program and fulfillment of the North Carolina Order. In connection with Respondent's appearance before the Board or committee, Respondent shall submit documentation, including but not limited to all

North Carolina Physicians' Health Program reports and underlying documentation.

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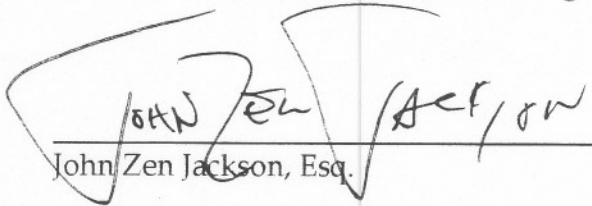
Bernard Robins, M.D., F.A.C.P.
Board President

I have read and understand
The terms of the within Order
and agree to be bound by the
terms of this Order. I hereby
give my consent to the entry
of this Order.



Prashant P. Parikh, M.D.

Consent as to the form of this order is given.



John Zen Jackson, Esq.